IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: |) |
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| | : Examiner: Robert T. Crov |
| NOBUKO YAMAMOTO |) |
| | : Group Art Unit: 1634 |
| Application No.: 10/568,507 |) |
| | : Confirmation No.: 1163 |
| 371(c) Date: February 16, 2006 |) |
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| For: PROBE CARRIER AND METHOD |) |
| FOR QUANTIFYING TARGET | : |
| SUBSTANCE USING THE |) |
| PROBE CARRIER | : June 14, 2010 (Monday) |

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH RCE

Sir:

Prior to further examination of the above-identified application, for which a Request for Continued Examination is being filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the final Office Action dated February 12, 2010, the period for response to which having been extended to Monday, June 14, 2010 by the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: